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Applicant:	LYONS ET AL.	Examiner:	YEUNG, JAMES
Serial No.:	09/781,149	Group Art Unit:	3743
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Title:	MONOLITHIC PANEL FOR A GAS BURNER		

DECLARATION OF DAVID C. LYONS

I, David C. Lyons, declare and say as follows:

1. I am an engineer for Hearth Technologies, Inc., a subsidiary of HON Industries, Inc., and have worked at Hearth Technologies or companies related to Hearth Technologies, including Heat-N-Glo Fireplace Products, Inc., for the past eight (8) years and eleven (11) months.

2. I am a named inventor for the above referenced United States patent application (Serial No. 09/781,149).

3. I have worked with refractory ceramic fiber molding techniques for at least the last six (6) years.

4. Other than the work conducted with respect to the inventions disclosed in the above referenced United States patent application (Serial No. 09/781,149), I am unaware of any other prior work at Hearth Technologies, Inc., or otherwise, or any other prior disclosures related to compression molding of materials for use in gas fireplace systems.

I declare that all statements made are of my own knowledge and are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and I have been warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. §1001), and may jeopardize the validity of the application resulting therefrom.

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